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CONSTRUCTION OF PENICILLIN PLANT
IN BULGARIA PROCEEDS SLOWLY

SCORE CONSTRUCTION LAG AT PENICILLIN PLANT -- Ruse, Dunavska Pravda, 6 May 53

On 21 and 22 April 1953, the construction progress at the Penicillin Plant in Razgrad Okoliya was investigated. It was found that the construction plan for the first quarter of 1953 was fulfilled 85.5 percent. Petur Kolarov, Minister of Public Health, was disappointed in the progress of the construction.

The lag is due mainly to irregular and unorganized supplying of construction material. Petur Tsonev, chief of construction, does not ensure that gravel is shipped from the quarry on time. Matko Dechkov, chairman of the Razgrad Okoliya People's Soviet, does not simplify the shipment of this material from the quarry in Kichenitsa. Veli-aga, chairman of the Kichenitsa Rural Soviet, is not organizing the work with quarry cars. A quarry located 100 meters from the pumping station has not been opened yet. Gancho Chuturkov, director of the Industrial Combine Penicillin Plant, so far has not drawn up a contract with the Plant Construction Association ("Zavodski stroechi" Obedinenie) for regular supply of construction materials.

The aqueduct and the power transmission line have not been installed as scheduled. This contributed also to the nonfulfillment of the construction plan for the first quarter. The problem regarding the supply of cement has not been solved. No cement had been supplied to the site by April, yet the Kaolin Mines (Kaolinovini) received their cement during the first quarter. There is also a shortage of bricks, lumber, and construction machinery. Two concrete mixers and two conveyers from the State Economic Association in Stalin have not been repaired. There is a shortage of vehicles. Only two trucks are at the site; three or four more are needed. There is a shortage of manpower. The okoliya people's soviet was unable to arrange the release of good construction foremen from Poroishte and Getsovo. This article was signed by Dimitur Gurkov, chairman of the Penicillin Plant Trade Union Committee, and others.

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NEW MACHINE RECEIVED AT COLOPHONY PLANT -- Plovdiv, Otechestven Glas, 2 Apr 53

On 23 March 1953, the colophony plant in Velingrad received a new filter press manufactured in the machine section of the "Stalin" Chemical Combine. This machine will be used for filtering a solution of resin in benzine and for receiving colophony and turpentine. This is the first machine of its kind in Bulgaria.

"VREteno" DIP MUST CORRECT SERIOUS LAGS -- Khaskovo, Rodopska Borba, 22 Jul 53

The "Vreteno" DIP (Spindle State Industrial Enterprise) in Maritsa, Khaskovo Okoliya, has not fulfilled its second 3-month plan. Serious weaknesses exist throughout the whole mill. The party and technical managers are not concerned with the nonfulfillment of the plan. V. Chakurov, director of the DIP, does not hold the technical directors, the foremen, the group leaders, and the party and trade union directors responsible for the nonfulfillment of the plan. Because of technical disorders, about 400-500 spindles are idle each day.

Discipline in the workshop is poor. The supply of materials to the mill is insufficient. Many empty spools, in various enterprises throughout Bulgaria, cannot be located.

V. Minkov, head bookkeeper, neglects his duties. Twenty tons of yarn stood for months without being processed because the "Pamuchna Industriya" (Cotton Industry) Association did not distribute it on time.

Lack of planning is evident. Because there are no railroad cars to take the cotton from Sliven, it has to be transported in trucks; this increased production costs.

The okoliya and town committees of the party failed to assist in strengthening party leadership in the mill. Two party secretaries who were transferred have not been replaced. Poor party organization has led to poor work organization. Competition is not well conducted and there is not enough mass political agitation in mill.

The "Vreteno" DIP must take measures to correct lagging production so that it can liquidate its debt to the Bulgarian People's Bank.

NEW MILL IN KHASKOVO -- Khaskovo, Rodopska Vorba, 31 Jan 53

The second shop of the new "Svila" (Silk) Mill in Khaskovo is being equipped with machinery.

The chairman of the trade union in the "Svila" DIP [probably the same as the "Svila" Mill] is Dora Petrova. The director of the "Svila" DIP is Nedyalka St. Tepelieva.

TAILORING COLLECTIVE PRAISED -- Pleven, Septemvriyska Pobeda, 31 Jan 53

The "Vasil Kolarov" DKK (State Tailoring Collective) [in Pleven] fulfilled its 1952 plan 27 days before the deadline. The director of the DKK is Tsanko Dilkov; the party secretary, Simeon Vasilev; and the secretary of the trade union committee, Lyuben Petrov.

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LISTS SHOPS OF "STALIN" CHEMICAL COMBINE -- Sofia, Rabotnichesko Delo, 31 Mar 53

The "Stalin" Chemical Combine in Dimitrovgrad includes the following shops and sections: a liquid sulfur dioxide shop, a machine repair shop, a concentration unit, a water supply shop, an electric power supply shop, a steam supply shop, a light current shop, an automobile and transportation office, and the combine administration, as well as shops No 850, 1,000, 1,100, and 1,200. It is expected that 1,250 workers will attend a total of 117 courses to improve their skill, and that 305 workers will attend a total of 102 Stakhanovite schools in the shops of the combine.

CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE-RESISTANT MATERIALS PLANT BEGINS -- Stalin, Stalinsko Zname, 31 Jan 53

The workers of the "Fabrichni zavodski stroezhi" DSO (Factory and Plant Construction State Construction Association) recently began to build, near Sofia, the first Bulgarian fire-resistant materials plant. The main building of the plant will include the following shops: a drum-drying shop, a mill, a cast shop, a press shop, a shop for tunnel and alternating furnaces, and a storage place for finished goods. The plant will produce fire-resistant materials for blast furnaces and for the glass industry.

It is estimated that most of the plant buildings, canals, aqueducts, roads, and railroad tracks will be completed this year. Most of the machines for the plant have already arrived from the USSR.

GRINDERS MANUFACTURED IN GABROVO -- Sofia, Narodna Mladezh, 1 May 53

The workers in the Machinery Building Plant in Gabrovo have begun work on the first series of 20 grinders (shlayf-aparat), to be used for grinding the valves of steam engines. In the beginning of May 1953, one model was prepared; this was the first such grinder made in Bulgaria. By the end of 1953, the plant will be able to satisfy the needs of Bulgaria, and grinders will no longer be imported.

BURGAS AND RUSE ENTERPRISES ADVERTISED IN LOCAL PRESS -- Burgas, Chernomorski Front, 30 Apr 53

The following Burgas enterprises advertised in the 30 April 1953 issue of Chernomorski Front in honor of May Day: "Naroden Magazin" DIP (Durzhavno turgovsko predpriyatie, State Commercial Enterprise); "TEK" (Transportno-ekspeditsorskakontora, Transportation and Expedition Office); "Gradska turgoviya i khra-nene" (City Commerce and Feeding) GTP (Gradska turgovsko predpriyatie, City Commercial Enterprise); "Khleboproizvodstvo" (Bread Production) SP (Stopansko predpriyatie, Economic Enterprise) of the Burgas People's Soviet; "Kommunalen Transport" (Communal Transportation) SP of the Burgas People's Soviet; "Mlyako, Meso, i Riba" (Milk, Meat, and Fish) GTP of the Burgas People's Soviet; "Narkoop" Narodna potrebitelna kooperatsiya (People's Consumers Cooperative); Gorsko-proizvodno predpriyatie (Industrial Forest Enterprise); "Marshal F. I. Tolstuchin" DIZ (Durzhaven khemichen zavod, State Chemical Plant); "Khristo Botev" TKZS (Trudovo kooperativno zemedelsko stopanstvo, Cooperative Labor Farm); Durzhavna korabo-remontna baza (State Ship-Repair Base); "Slavyarka" Durzhaven konserven kombinat (State Canning Combine); "Georgi Dimitrov" Zavod (Plant); "Gocho Ivanov" Zavod; "Mesotsentrala" (Meat Center) DCP (Durzhavno stopansko predpriyatie, State Economic Enterprise), Burgas branch; "Vasil Kolarov" Zavod; "Rosen" Mine; and "Zhilfond" (Housing Fund) SP of the Burgas People's Soviet.

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Ruse, Dumavska Pravda, 2 May 53

The following enterprises were advertised in the 2 May 1953 issue of Dumavska Pravda: The "Stuklo" (Glass) TPK (Trudova proizvoditelna kooperatsiya, Labor and Production Cooperative) in Ruse, Ulitza Petko D. Petkov, No 7; the "Suglasie" TPZK (Trudova proizvoditelna zanayatchiyska kooperatsiya, Artisan Labor and Production Cooperative); the "Stalinska napiotelna sistema" (Stalin Irrigation System) DSP; the "Toplivo" DTP, Ruse Branch; the "Narmag" (Naroden magazin, People's Store) DIP; the "Domoukrasa" (Interior Decorating) TPZK; the "Jordan Lyutibrodski" DIP; and the "Ospred" Stroitelna organizatsiya (Construction Organization).

BEST ENTERPRISES HONORED -- Sofia, Rabotnichesko Delo, 27 Apr 53

The following enterprises under the Ministry of Heavy Industry were recently praised for being outstanding in their respective categories during the first quarter of 1953:

Extractive Industry: The "Georgi Dimitrov" State Mining Enterprise in Dimitrovo, and the "Rosen" State Mining Enterprise in Burgas.

Machine Building and Metallurgy: The "Vulko Chervenkov" State Metallurgical Plant in Stara Zagora, and the "Anton Ivanov" Refrigerator and Apparatus Plant (Khiladilno-aparturniya zavod) in Sofia.

Chemical Industry, Nonmetallic Minerals, and Construction Materials: The "Stalin" Chemical Combine in Dimitrovgrad, and the "Elovitsa" State Industrial Enterprise in Gabrovo.

Geological and Mining Research: The "Etropole" Project (Obekt).

Forestry: The GPP (Gorsko promishleno predpriyatie, Industrial Lumber Enterprise) in Velingrad (formerly Luzhene), and the "Sredna Gora" State Industrial Enterprise in Panagyurishte.

The following enterprises under the Ministry of Light Industry were outstanding during the first quarter of 1953:

Textile Industry: The "Narodna Republika" DIP in Gabrovo, and the "Dobrudzha" DIP in Silistra.

Leather and Rubber Industry, Porcelain, Chinaware, and Glass Industry, Metalworking Industry, and Furniture Industry: The "Vasil Kolarov" Leather Enterprise in Plovdiv, and the "Stind" DIP in Sofia.

Sofia, Rabotnichesko Delo, 29 Apr 53

The following enterprises under the Ministry of Communal Economy and Public Works [which appears to be in charge of local industry] were outstanding during the first quarter of 1953: The Nova Zagora Chelviya Industrial Combine, and the "Inzhstroy" (Inzhinersko stroitelstvo, Engineer Construction) Stroitelno obedinenie (Construction Association).

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